

OPINION 728

NAIADITES OVALIS DAWSON, 1860 (LAMELLIBRANCHIA): RULING
ON THE INTERPRETATION OF THE SPECIFIC NAME

RULING.—(1) It is hereby Ruled that the nominal species *Naiadites ovalis* Dawson, 1860, is to be interpreted by reference to the specimen figured by Dawson, 1894 (*Canadian Record of Science*: 129, fig. 11) as *Anthracomya ovalis* (No. 2, 1170 in the Redpath Museum, Montreal, Canada).

(2) The specific name *ovalis* Dawson, 1860, as published in the binomen *Naiadites ovalis* (as interpreted in (1) above) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2067.

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1514)

The present case was submitted to the office of the Commission by Mrs. M. J. Rogers in December 1961. Mrs. Rogers' application was sent to the printer on 31 January 1962 and published on 10 September 1962 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 19 : 328–330. The proposals were supported by Dr. J. Weir (*Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 19 : 331), Dr. R. B. Wilson, Dr. E. Paproth and Mrs. L. S. Stevenson.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 1 July 1964 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (64)14 either for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 19 : 330. At the close of the prescribed voting period the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—twenty-one (21), received in the following order: China, Holthuis, Lemche, Bonnet, Binder, Boschma, Riley, Vokes, do Amaral, Uchida, Tortonese, Mayr, Obruchev, Jaczewski, Evans, Ride, Forest, Brinck, Mertens, Kraus, Hubbs.

Negative votes—one (1): Sabrosky

On Leave of Absence—one (1): Munroe.

Voting Papers not returned—two (2): Borchsenius, Simpson.

Commissioners Alvarado, Miller and Stoll returned late affirmative votes. In returning his negative vote Commissioner Sabrosky made the following comment: "I see no need for Commission action on this. The detailed examination and evaluation of specimens by Mrs. Rogers is commendable, and it satisfies me that the species can and should be interpreted by specialists in terms of the specimen of *ovalis* numbered 2,1170. The Commission should not enter into such cases unless and until action is really necessary."

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following is the original reference for a specific name placed on the Official List by the Ruling given in the present Opinion:

ovalis, *Naiadites*, Dawson, 1860, Supplement to *Acadian Geology*: 45

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (64)14 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 728.

W. E. CHINA

Acting Secretary

International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature

London

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